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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Lowe on 10/4/2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, the term "can be" in line 2 has been deleted and replaced by -and--; in lines 3 and 4, and in line 16: add the tern – and—the terms "connected inserted".

In claim 8, the term "can be" in line 2 has been deleted and replaced by -and-; in lines 3 and 4, and in line 9: add the tern – and—between the terms "connected inserted".

The title has been changed form "connector" to - A connector for connecting a flexible printed circuit board—.

## Reason for allowance

1. Claims 1-16 are allowed over the prior art.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Prior art fails to teach the combination features the lock portion is formed by a non-elastic member and a temporary holding member which is elastically deformed in a predetermined direction while being in contact with one face of the object to be connected and inserted into the